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The Story Teller.

MABEL'S AMBITION.

BY "ALETHEA."

"It is really too provoking," petulantly ex-claimed Mabel Thornton, replacing a letter in its envelope, and heaving a deep sigh as she

"What is too provoking?" asked her mother, looking up from her sewing into the dissatisfied face of her daughter.

"Why that we are not in circumstances to warrant my accepting Katie Lee's invitation to spend a few weeks with her at her home in New York. In this letter she says they are going to have 'splendid times,' and she knows I would enjoy myself. But it is use-less to talk about it, for I can't go. I should need so many new dresses and other things." "I do not see that you will, daughter.

You have just had some pretty ones made, both for street and house; while the tarleton you purchased for Sarah Mumford's wedding you purchased for Sarau ritumford's weeding has never been worn but once, besides which, you have a pretty white Swiss; both of them will be suitable for evening parties."

"What are you thinking of mother!" and Mabel Thornton accompanied her words with

a derisive laugh. "Why the Lees are wealthy and live in style. Katie gives receptions twice a month, besides going out to all the most fashionable places of amusement whenever it suits her. No, no, mother, my clothes are sufficiently numerous and pretty for a country village such as this, but for a visit to New York City—pas du tout. Miss Lee would be ashamed to introduce me to her friends, I fear, after knowing the extent and value of my wardrobe. I doubt if Katie would have my wardrobe. I doubt not led her to suppose invited me at all, had I not led her to suppose invited me at all, had I not led her to suppose we were better of than we really are. see, mother, that being at the same boarding school for two years together, we grew to like one another very much, and I was so fearful that I would lessen myself in her estimation, should she suspect that I was less rich than she supposed; that I made it ap-

pear that I was better off, as I said before. "And so my daughter" replied her mother, quietly, "you allowed your vanity to lead you into sin. For you certainly led Miss Lee to suppose differently from the truth, and was obliged to continue in the deceptive character, to the end, in order that she might not know that your father was a country merchant in a small way. If Miss Lee is one who values a person only for their money, the sooner you drop the acquaintance the better, for she cannot be sincere nor lasting in her friendships."

"O, I do not say that Katie is of that char-

acter, but you know it would not be pleasant

amusement. Remember, my child, that 'Contentment is better than Wealth."

"Well, mother, you who have had your good times, can preach and practice too; but I must say money would be the thing to make me more contented, and I know. said the young girl, looking at her delicately shaped hand, "that wealth would become

room, she commenced laying the cloth for

Mabel Thornton was what the world would call a splendid looking girl. Tall, with a form that the most carping could find no fault with, a face that was very attractive, bright dark eyes, and an exquisite little mouth, around which she could cause to linger the most fascinating smile when she chose. She knew that she was handsome, and as she remarked to her mother, "wealth would become her." Her small, pretty hand looked fitted only for fancy work, and her tiny foot wore with ease, a number one slipper. Yes, Mabel Thornton was handsome, butsel fish and

After the tea things had been removed, tion she had received, and of her regret in not being able to accept it.

"Not accept it! indeed you shall," answered face aglow with pride and fondness. "You are 'wasting your beauty on the desert air,' remaining so long secluded in your native vilhad been a boy, you could have started off on self at a small table while he produced the your own hook sometime ago. If you fear board. the expense will be more than I can afford to incur, do not let that thought trouble you one bit, for," said he, laughing a happy laugh as night than I ever expected to be; and on top soof that a bank in which I own stock has declared a very good dividend."

All the while her father had been speaking Mabel's eyes were glistening with pleasure as she asked :

"And how is it, papa, that you are eight hundred dollars better off to-night than you

were this morning?"
"About a year ago," replied Mr. Thornton, turning to his wife who was silently awaiting the answer, "Ned Wilton borrowed a thousand dollars of me to give himself a start out West. To tell the truth, I never thought he would succeed in the line of business he undertook, and felt almost certain that my money was as good as gone; but it proved otherwise, for this morning he called at the store and paid me eight hundred down, and promises the rest in three months' time. So my daughter you may get what you need for this visit, and tell your friend when to expect

you. That is if your mother consents." Mrs. Thornton expressed her willingness and so in little over a week's time, with the assistance of her mother and a fashionable dressmaker of the village, Mabel was got in readiness to start for New York. Her father's remark as she left the house, that "Mabel could equal any city girl for style," was true, for her traveling suit of gray alpaca, with hat and gloves to match, was very becoming, and fitted her to perfection; besides as the village was but a couple of hours' ride from the

ton said farewell to their child, and saw her is about." enter the car under the care of the conductor, with whom her father was acquainted. After a trip of nearly forty-eight hours,

Mabel reached the end of her route; and as she stepped upon the platform, her ears were saluted with the exclamation of "There she is, Russel," and almost at the same moment, Miss Thornton felt herself embraced by her friend Katie; who, after expressing her joy at seeing

her, said: "This is my brother Russel, Mabel, and this young lady, Russel, is the orginal of the picture you saw in my album—Miss Thorn-

frequently of you during our schooldays.3 "So often," replied Mabel, with her prettiest | you will be the first lady to grace it." smile, while looking at the remarkably handsome young man beside her, "that I should almost have known him without an introduc-

"Allow me to echo your words, Miss Thornton; for this little sister of mine has mentioned you so often in the last few days that I feel more as if I was meeting an old acquainarriage which was waiting.

"I regret, Katie, that a previous engagement prevents me from accompanying you and your friend to the house. But you must later in the evening, if you do not retire too early, as it is not my intention to remain out until the 'wee sma' hours ayant the twa,' and raising his hat with careless grace, Russell Lee left them, as the driver gathered up friend. But Mabel chose to interpret it in the reins preparatory to starting.

as they passed through the crowded streets, which presented a strange spectacle to the happy Mabel, who had been leading such a quiet life in her native village. Once arrived fruit, and hot-house flowers, yet he never beat the house, Miss Thornton soon divested her- trayed any particular love for her. self of her traveling dress for one more suitable, and as she finished her toilet she turned to her companion with the remark:

"What a splendidly handsome man your brother is, Katie! A perfect Adonis; I've read of such, but have never had my ideal realized until now. You must be very proud

"I assure you I am. And all the girls of our set are head over heels in love with him.' "Which of them does he favor most?"

"None, Mabel. He laughs at them all." And linking her arm within that of her friend, Katie Lee led the way to the drawing-room, where they sat and chatted until nearly ten o'clock, when, as Russell Lee had not yet returned, they partook of some light refreshment, and as Mabel was fatigued, retired to You are not a resident of this neighborhood their respective apartments.

As Miss Thornton went to rest in the handsomely furnished room assigned to her, she determined within herself to exert her utmost powers of fascination to captivate Russell Lee. To become his wife and preside over an elegant mansion in Fifth Avenue, was now the height of her ambition.

The first week of her visit had passed, and what, with attending Katie's reception the night after her arrival, and going to the opera the next, and to a concert the third, she felt considerably wearied when Saturday morning came, and therefore declined accompanying her friend on a shopping expedition; preferring to remain and write a letter home. Seatfor me to be seen continually, or nearly so, in ing herself with her writing implements near two or three different dresses, only, during my a window which commanded a view of the visit, which she says must be for a month at street, into which she now and then gazed, by have you to mention him?" and, although she least, and as much longer as I find it agreea-ble to stay. Oh! if I was only rich, I'd be "You may live to learn that money does and ambitious projects; but, in answer to her not always bring happiness, Mabel, and in-stead of aspiring after the unattainable, it endeavor to find the whereabouts of her aunt would be much more christianlike if you would show gratitude for blessings you do replied: "I cannot make it practicable nor pretty and pleasing, was so far out of his cirenjoy. You have a comfortable home, and convenient, dear mother, to bother about hunt- cle of life, and who had to earn her own liveenough to afford you a reasonable share of ing up poor relations. Should I come across lihood. Lena-which I think very unlikely-I will

rected her letter she placed it in the recepta- to Brother Willie, who you know has been a cle from which a servant was wont to take them to mail; after which, feeling rather dull in the absence of her lively friend, she betook herself to the library, thinking she would there find some book to her liking with which to while away the time until Katie's return. marks, and as her husband now entered the Having made a selection, she was about retracing her steps when the door opened, and night and tended him as kindly as if he had

"I hope I don't intrude, Miss Thornton," said he, walking up to where she was standing. "It cannot be called an intrusion, Mr. Lee." responded Mabel, raising her lovely smiling eyes to his face, "when a gentleman seeks his own library. It is I who stand in the light of intruder. I knew not you were in the

"I only came in a few moments ago, and finding everything so very quiet, wandered ion ghost; but not finding one, came hither to teachership in the Academy. seek food for my thoughts, by feeding on the nately, here, I prefer having a game of chess the young girl told her father of the invita- or backgammon, if you consent to lay by 'Lallah Rook' for awhile?"

"I readily consent," answered Mabel, with one of her rippling little laughs, which her com-Mr. Thornton, looking at his daughter with a panion mentally compared to 'music in the face aglow with pride and fondness. "You air;' "but it had better be backgammon, Mr. Lee, for I never played but one game of chess in my life, and it would be anything but lage. I have long wanted you to see something of city life, but did not know when I ever would be able to take you. Now if you game." And with these words she seated her-

They played for nearly an hour with varied success, until Miss Thornton declaring herself | ton's answer, while a contemptuous smile resttired, pushed the board aside and arose from her chair and seated herself in a very graceful coat, "I am eight hundred dollars richer to- attitude nearer the fire, remarking as she did

"Mr. Lee, I am surprised that you have not are by so many of your sister's charming but I warn you against letting your gratitude friends. Now there is that fascinating fairy, Miss Minnie May, who has completely captivated me, one of her own sex, and if I was a return." man, I should be desperately smitten, I'm

"Yes," answered Russel Lee, laughing and stroking the ends of his silky moustache, "I have arrived at the mature age of twenty-eight without having lost my heart. Cupid frequently aimed his darts at it, but they have gratified first. And I believe I was destined never penetrated. Perhaps it has ossified. However, if the right one does not soon appear, I fear there soon will be 'silver-threads Bolton, and the rest of the girls down home, among the golden;' in fact I believe some would envy me, should they hear that their have some already." And pushing back his friend, Mabel Thornton, was engaged to the Executive, may wipe out States, cast out 'nt light brown hair, he continued : wealthy Mr. Lee, of New York.' See, they are perceptible, are they not?"

"Well, as yet they lie perdu to my vision," replied his companion, leaning towards him until her breath fanned his cheek. "But left the room by a side door, as Miss Lee enshould they really put in an appearance, I tered by another. would recommend 'Bachelors' hair dye.'

"You are inclined to be facetious, Miss Mabel. But, giving the word another signi- enjoyed by Miss Thornton, who was totally fication, I will quote Barnaby's Raven and unaware that during the conversation with ranty-deed of their rights, in vain. If the neighboring city, Miss Sims the dressmaker, guardian and tutor, and ever since then, also, rious smile passed over his face as he said to nati Enquirer. had obtained from there the latest fashions, aunt Emma has been our house-keeper; I can himself: "It is well I was already in love and felt quite proud of her handiwork, as she call her nothing else, for the old lady never with the brown-eyed Lena before I saw the

ton-who I believe has heard me speak quite take you, while Katie and Charlie Grayson was to try such nonsense, as though a flower could tell a person's fate." can go together. I have a new cutter, and

"Thanks, I shall appreciate the honor, I By Monday, the ground was in fine condi-

tion for sleighing, and Mabel was in the seventh heaven of delight as she sat beside the one whose wife she hoped some day to be.
She received his thoughtful attentions for her comfort, as so many proofs that his heart was again touched. She had in truth a most tance than a stranger," remarked Russell Lee, pleasantly, as he handed the ladies into the bewitchingly sweet laugh, of which she was aware, and as it rose above the music of Hero's silver bells, her escort observed that it could be likened to 'Fairy bells' that come tinkling o'er the water-a compliment uttered by the excuse me for the present, and I will meet you speaker with as little thought as gentlemen generally pay compliments to those for whom they have no special feeling, excepting as a pleasant companion for the time being. And as such Russell Lee regarded his sister's

another way. The ride home was somewhat long, but our two young ladies found plenty to talk about gaiety, and although Russell Lee had been courteously attentive and polite, and had, on one occasion, when she was confined to her bed with a severe cold, sent her some choice

"But," Mabel would say to herself, "that may only be his way. He may be waiting until I leave to declare himself."

A month had already flown, surely. Time had not clipped his wings nor stayed his hourglass in her favor, so quickly had it passed, and she was nothing loth to extend her visit to another week, at Katie's sincere expressed

It was on a morning near the last half this extra week that, upon going into the sitting-room, she was met by a young lady, who, when Mabel entered, exclaimed with surprise as she advanced and kissed her: "Why, Cousin Mabel, I little thought. I

should see you here?"

A quiet smile wreathed the pretty mouth of Lena Conway, as she glanced at her own plain delaine and compared it with her cousin's stylish merino wrapper. But she replied: "No, Mabel, I reside a good number of streets from aristocratic Fifth Avenue, and teach French and music in Madam Laville's Academy. For the last three months I have been giving private instruction in French to Miss Lee. I have been absent for the last few weeks, owing to sickness, or we would have met sooner. Oh! Mabel, I am glad you are acquainted here; for, without exception, Miss Katie and her brother are. the best people

living."
"Her brother!" remarked Mabel Thornton in a tone of astonishment. "What cause had done more execution than had her own bright dark ones upon the heart of the handsome Russell Lee. And yet it was not likely, thought she, that he would bestow a single

"I cannot tell you now, Mabel," was Lena's invite her to return and spend a time with me reply. "all that Mr. Lee has done for me and at my own home." Having sealed and di-mine. Had it not been for his kind attentions cripple from his birth, the poor child would have passed many dull hours. He sends him books, flowers and fruits; and one night. I been his own brother."

"Really it was very kind in him, Lena, replied Mabel, rather superciliously, "but how did you first make their acquaintance? You know Miss Lee and I were former schoolmates and friends?"

"Quite accidentally, Mabel. Upon our coming here to reside, I advertised for a situation as governess. Miss Lee answered it in person, and made arrangements for me to come at certain hours and instruct her in about like a lost spirit in search of a compan- French. Subsequently she procured me a

"That is all very natural, Lena, but that thoughts of others. But as you are, fortu- does not concern the brother; is he your pupil also?" And the tone and accompanying laugh were rather sarcastic.

Lena Conway now began to have an insight into her cousin's character, but appearing not to notice it, she replied pleasantly: "Certainly not; but one morning Miss Katie proposed that I should bring Willie

here some day that he might enjoy the books, pictures and flowers, of which he is very fond. awhile, and either reads to Willie or takes him to ride. The child is quite fond of him." "How very romantic!" was Miss Thorned on her lips. "But please do not let them know that we are related, for I think I am in

"He would make a splendid husband. Ma-

At this moment steps were heard approaching, and again cautioning her cousin to say nothing regarding their relationship, Mabel

"Where ignorance is bliss, 'tis folly to be

That evening as she sat awaiting the appearance of Miss Lee, with whom she was going out to spend an evening, she heard her voice in the library saying: "Indeed, Russel, I am very glad to hear it, and will be much pleased to receive her for a sister-in-law. I have often wished you would find somebody to love better than your sister," said she, laughing, "and have frequent-

ly wondered how you could associate among the beautiful girls with such perfect indifference; for you have caused more than one to lose their hearts." "Katie, I had long made up my mind that I would, when I sought a wife, look more at

the young lady's moral worth than her beauty or position. As for the beautiful girls you speak of, I've studied them well, and know that if they have lost their hearts at all, it is over my money and not myself. Should I proclaim myself a beggar to-morrow, their white men must defend black suffrage with nearts would soon return to them and be in all their might, for if it is lost, the South will readiness for the next golden bait. But with the girl I have chosen I have every reason to ment, having but about eighty-five electoral negro suffrage, he says: know that the reverse is the case ; for she is a votes. true woman.

"I believe she is, Russel, and I congratulate you on your choice." With these words the young lady quitted the room and joined her

pected. Katie was practising her music in the parlor, while Mabel chose to remain by the library fire looking over some choice en-gravings. Presently she was joined by her young host, who after presenting her with a beautiful white camelia said-

"Miss Thorton, you may be surprised, perhaps, that after my telling you that I expected to remain a bachelor through life, to hear that Cupid has at last taken true aim at my heart, and I am just as much in love as man can well be.

one of her sweet, winning smiles. "How long since did the shaft penetrate?"

"For some weeks I have had an aching that region," replied her companion, laughing. "And you were so naughty as to say that you had not felt the tender passion yet." And the dark eyes of Mabel Thornton were raised with a look of reproof.

"That was because I was not quite sure of the symptoms then." "Pray tell me who is the favored lady, Mr.

Lee. Have I ever met her," and as she spoke she placed the camelia among the black tresses of her hair, which was, as she knew, very be-"I am pretty sure you have, Miss Mabel."

The serious look upon his face, coupled with the conversation she had heard the day previous, caused his listener to feel certain that she must be the person alluded to, so with an affected indifference she ran over several they have no more voice in the National govnames, looking very coquettish all the while. ernment than so many black stumps. The Miss Lena Conway."

"What, your sister's teacher!" exclaimed Mabel surprised, but adroitly hiding her vexation, disappointment and rage. "And why not my sister's teacher?" said

young Lee, quietly, and looking, as Mabel thought, handsomer than ever. "Because I thought that gentlemen of wealth and position generally sought wives from those who occupied the same station in life as themselves. Lena Conway has neither wealth nor position."

"Nevertheless, a young lady who proved such a good daughter and sister, could scarcely fail of making a good wife."
"True, Cousin Lena is a very lovable per-

son," replied Mabel, quite ready now to acknowledge the relationship.

"Ah! is she a relative of yours? Then in gaining a charming wife, I shall add a cousin to my list of connections," responded Russel

Lee, pretending to ignore his knowledge of the fact. "I consider myself quite fortunate."
His good fortune made Mabel none the less chagrined, however; but she had to console herself as best she could, and a few days after returned home, her hopes and projects unfulfilled; and when an invitation reached her six months' later, to attend her cousin's nuptials, she gave some excuse which sounded

reasonable, and remained away. Three years after, she made a chance acquaintance of an extremely wealthy, childless widower, whom she married in spite of her parents' opposition. Thus her ambition for riches was gratified. But she grew to feel that there was a void in her life; her heart hungered for something more than gold; she became tired of feeding it on husks, and yearned for the love and kind attentions which go so far in making a wife's happiness. And when her mother's words: "That riches do not always constitute happiness," occurred to her, as they often did, she echoed them in her

Is This a Free Government?-Within forty-eight hours this question has become a grave one. In recent years, and in years of peace, we have seen that the national administration can point its bayonet at the members of a State Legislature and expel them a fair way of winning Mr. Lee's affections, from their seats. We have seen that the ar-which I shall fail to do if they become aware my can remove a Governor duly elected and of my connection with those who work for install one who is not. We have seen the said adieu to bachelorhood, surrounded as you their own support. They may befriend you, sword, and not the suffrage, the sceptre of power in a portion of this land labeled "free." deepen into love. I would not see you disposed to love where you could meet with no and constitutional liberty has ever emanated under our broad national seal as that shamelessly made in the proclamation of the Presbel, for he is high principled and possesses a ident on the 17th instant, and its surroundnoble heart, and is worthy the love of a true ing administrative acts. The infamy of the order of Taft, the willing tool of an usurp-"As regards love, Lena, that may come after marriage; I wish to have my ambition respected though he has been in our midst, it was believed this desperate and daring adto preside over just such an establishment as ministration dared not outdo. But that was this. Just think how Lottie Mason, Jessie only the beginning. It now appears if this proclamation be proper, that the army of the national government, at the bidding of the their courts as baubles to be thrown away, or trample them under foot as worms, walk over their authority like a lord over his domain, brush aside, like cobwebs, every local officer within their borders, stalk with despotic tread over their constitutions and their laws, while the pleading States may hold in their wise," runs the old adage; and this bliss was right hands, in front of the bayonets, the constitution of the fathers with its sacred war-

bade her customer good-bye.

With many charges to take good care of herself and write often, Mr. and Mrs. Thornherself and write often, Mr. and Mrs. And M

Political Matters.

THE NORTH AND NEGRO SUFFRAGE. We are told that it is always probable that improbable things will happen. Certain it is that I hear whisperings in the South, and not so very soft, either, to the effect that the next party to disturb politics and distribute patronage will arise in the North, and have for its corner stone the disfranchisement of the blacks. National government. He thinks this will be ter.] the next great battle, and that the Southern

young lady quitted the room and joined her friend Mabel.

The next morning was cold and wet, making it too disagreeable for out-door pleasures, and not being a reception day, no callers were expected. Katie was practising her music in sentence, they can control legislation, elect the President and administer the government amachine as they may see fit. The rest of the United States can whistle. The solid South and the three States named will be the corn. and the three States named, will be the gov- and yet I repeat that I was the first man in that is not free or constitutional government

The far-seeing men in the South, or those who ground in South Carolina, Governor Morton, are esteemed as far-seeing, declare that noth- your choice for the Presidency, the man who, ing can prevent the South from having a con- waving the bloody shirt and digging into the trolling voice in the government but the dis- very graves of our dead, made speeches at franchisement of the blacks. And they argue the North, in which he said your people were that this will be the next great question which not fit to vote, and recommended that the "Indeed!" responded Mabel, calmly, with will agitate the country, the North contend- franchise should not be granted them for ing for black disfranchisement, in order to keep the South from running the government.

It is plain, very plain, that the blacks will be made subservient to the whites in every Southern State, and that so far from enabling also another of your Republican friends, took the North to hold the government, this enfranchisement is having precisely the opposite effect, giving the South so large a number of Congressmen and electoral votes that this section will virtually hereafter be the ruling and of Congress. These are the men who power at Washington.

Look at Georgia. The white population of that State is but little in excess of double the population of Cincinnati, yet Georgia has nine Democratic Congressmen, two Democratic Senators and eleven electoral votes! A population but little above twice that of Cincinnati has all these, and throws them in a solid lump, in the interests of the solid South. So far as the blacks of the State are concerned, they are beginning to love negro suffrage, for Washington. it will as surely give the South control of the National government as the years roll round.

and moral force of a State will as surely con- State, no "domestic violence," no "combinatrol it, as the sun shines when this agency is tions against law," no disorder whatever government cannot recall to life the millions of without opposition, except from the negroes- which the Governor, if he chose to do so, could a race that have never been able to stand out not easily and summarily put down. What length of time.

Disfranchise the blacks and reduce the representation down to the white population, and South Carolina would have two Congressmen instead of five, and four electoral votes instead of seven. And Georgia would have five Congressmen instead of nine, and seven electoral votes instead of eleven. And Alabama would have four Congressmen instead of eight, and six electoral votes instead of ten.

the least fear that they could ever control the either. government or have a voice in its affairs amounting to dictation.

not give up negro suffrage if they could. They will cling to it as they did to slavery, for it will give them a larger voice in governconcerns," for they have internal and external control of the concerns of every Southern State but two, and these will come under their sway in time, and probably in a very short time. It seems strange to me that any one knowing the history of the negro race in Afmortification that the legs of the joint reso-

It is true that there is a solid South, and that this solid South will eventually dictate the policy of the government. But I do not believe with some that great disaster will fol-low this, or that the debt will be paid, or any attempt made in that direction, or any of the results of the war lost. So far as negro suffrage is concerned, and that it is justly esteemed a result of the war, you may be sure the South will never interfere with that. It be an uproar against black suffrage some years hence, but it will not come from the South. Without black suffrage the solid South would only control itself. But with the enlarged representation which black suffrage gives, they

should we want to cut off one-third of our the purpose of coercing the people to re-elec votes? Of course, we should desire to keep him them. We know that if the time has not It is impossible to believe that so serious come, that it will come and must come, when and dangerous a misuse of power for partisan come together."

That is, all vote the Democratic ticket, and make a solid South. He continues:

"We would be, indeed, fools to desire, with 800,000 colored votes and 1,600,000 white such a precedent as this to become establishvotes, to cut off one-third of our strength. ed, it would hang as a menace over every The North saw it, and hence the Mortons and election and would surely soon be misused in

Do you see the point? He has certainly

made it very plain.

Speaking of the fact that he was the very

ernment in all that the term implies.

The North will not relish this. Indeed, there are signs that they do not relish the prospect now, and hence the very great effort to hold New York to the Republican party.

The far-seeing men in the South, or those who twenty years. I have the speech of Governor Morton, and any of you can see it if you wish. My speeches were also published, and you can see them if you desire. Governor Andrew. the same ground as Morton, and I have his speech also. These are facts that cannot be profess now to be your warmest friends these men who would have put their feet upon your liberties for all time."

He was in favor of black suffrage, because it would give the South a preponderating weight in National affairs.

At the same time, Morton, in Indians made a very clear and argumentative speech against negro suffrage, copies of which Hamp-ton reads to his black auditors, and distributes the late war, whether covered by the four-

among them for their edification. "It is nether of those, Miss Thornton," was fact that every Senator and member of Con- thinks the South is occupying too much space I shall deem it my duty to veto every bill only a Democrat, but a Southern Democrat— dinal principle the graceful taking of the nearly such debts, losses, damages, claims, or for a Georgia-born Democrat—is evidence that gro out of politics by way of a counter-acting refunding any such tax. The danger to the the blacks of that State are without voice at constitutional amendment. But you may be National treasury is not from claimants who Washington. For all practicable purposes, sure no Tilden reformer will start such a party. aided the rebellion, but from claims of peryou had as well give every black stump in They have got too good a thing of it. If the sons residing in the Southern States, or hav-Georgia the right to vote as every negro. The whites find it as easy to control one as the other, and consequently are perfectly well satisfied with negro suffrage, as it gives them since Congressmen and clause, electoral votes. nine Congressmen and eleven electoral votes, ing from eight hundred thousand votes to be-

THE PRESIDENT'S PROCLAMATION.

We urge the Democrats of South Carolina against the whites in any particular for any effort has Governor Chamberlain made to put down "insurrection" or "domestic violence?"

None at all. If such a state of things has None at all. If such a state of things has existed, as General Grant is made in his proclamation to pretend, the Governor has had abundant time to call the Legislature together; but he has not done so. He should have called out the State militia; but he has not done so. In short there are no proofs of the done so. In short there are no proofs of the existence of an "insurrection" in South Carolina, or of "domestic violence," or of any ef-The South might be "solid" then without fort of the Governor to find or suppress

There is a good deal of vague talk of "rifle government or have a voice in its affairs amounting to dictation.

The South sees this now, and they would not give up negro suffrage if they could.

The sa good deal of vague talk of our productive industries may be quite and and a new prosperity created, in which the roll all the roughs and all the illiterate and ignorant population of the State, and none ignorant population.

SAMUEL J. TILDEN. others, in the militia; should arm them with State arms; and suppose then, in the midst ment than ever slavery did. Nor will it in-terfere with the regulation of their "domestic suddenly order all the remainder of the citizens-the whole of the substantial and intelligent class-to disarm, and, if they hesitawhat would be said of such a proceeding? Yet that is precisely what Governor Chamfor the success of this base scheme. And we make the negroes appear in this case as muragain advise the colored men of South Caro- dered innocents. lina to vote for General Hampton. He has promised them equal justice, absolute security the negroes. The massacre does not prove,

The President's proclamation, made for no true cause, misstating the clear and well un- Much less does it show, as Republican organs derstood facts in almost every paragraph, or- will insist, that they are persecuted innocents, dering the dispersion of an insurrection which needing the strong arm of the government for we are unding out, the very thing they wanted. The stone which they tried to reject, has become the chief of the corner. There will be an arranged on an insurrection which needing the strong arm of the government for protection. But it does show that the evil influences set in motion by Don Cameron's orto the State not call the state and call the state the militia of the States, is surely too grave and dangerous an abuse of power to pass unnoticed by Northern voters. The clause of the constitution, under which the President constitution, under which the President der and lather latts opinion and Governor Chamberlain's proclamation, are having their logical effect upon the mind of the ignorant negro. He is strong in the assurance of governor the constitution, under which the President unware tast during the conversation with part of the property of the property

blacks and whites in the Southern States will purposes will go unnoticed by the voters of the Northern States. Such acts, unless they

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Wade Hampton, the king white man of South Carolina, says that it will require the united effort of the South to maintain negro suffrage in the future! He predicts that a powerful have never gone back on it. You will all from public robbery and grave maladminisparty will arise in the North, demanding the have to come together, and I have been wait- tration at the hands of men who used the ig disfranchisement of the negroes, because their ing for the time, and it is not far distant now, norant negro vote to maintain themselves in enfranchisement is giving such political power to the South that she will soon control the 'jine the cavalry.'" [Applause and laugh- Alabama, even the negroes, or at least the Alabama, even the negroes, or at least the more intelligent part of them, have become weary of misrule; at the same time, as in those other States, the Republican party has become divided, and one faction arrays itself cut no figure at all in the National government, having but about eighty-five electoral votes.

Behold what great power negro suffrage has given the South! It has increased their representation so largely that, with the aid of New York. Connecticut and California, for

LETTER FROM GOVERNOR TILDEN.

proclamation ordering the opponents of the ring to disperse!—New York Herald.

NEW YORK, October 25 .- Governor Tilden, the Democratic nominee for President, has addressed to the Hon. Abram S. Hewitt a letter, declaring his position in regard to Southern claims. He quotes the fourteenth amendment of the constitution, and points to the fact that it has been repeatedly approved by the Democratic State committees of the South, and was adopted as part of the plat-form of the Democratic National Convention, which declared it to be universally respected as a final settlement. Governor Tilden, after citing his own public declarations on the subject previously made, says: Should I be elected President, the provis-

ious of the fourteenth amendment will, so far as depends on me, be maintained, executed and enforced in perfect and absolute good faith. No rebel debt will be sumed or paid;

no claim for less or emancipation of any slave will be allowed; no claim for any loss or damteenth amendment or not, will be recognized It is now in order for some reformer, who or paid. The cotton tax will not be refunded claims, even of loyal persons, when they arise which they throw in a solid chunk. In fact, gin with. This, of itself, is a fair start toward they are beginning to love negro suffrage, for Washington. civilized nations, condemned by the adjudications of the Supreme Court of the United States, and only find any status by force of Look at South Carolina. The white population of that State is now almost precisely the same as Cincinnati. Yet this white minority will surely control the blacks hereafter, and throw the seven electoral votes with the solid South. They will yet have all the Congressmen and both Senators. It is but a question of time. The wealth, intelligence, property and moral force of a State will as surely conour youth who went to an untimely grave, nor compensate the suffering and sorrow of their relatives or friends. It cannot readjust between individuals the burdens of taxation hitherto borne or of debts incurred by sustaining the bygones be bygones, to turn from the dead past to a new and a better future, and, on that basis, to assure peace, reconciliation and fraternity between all sections, classes and races of our people, to the end that all the springs of our productive industries may be quickened

CAMERON'S WARDS IN ARMS.

It is unfortunate for the President and for the party he represents, that the news of the Cainhoy massacre came upon the very day of ted, order wholesale arrests by Federal marshals and call on the President for troops—
the Democratic clubs and disarming the white population of South Carolina. In the long list of sanguinary incidents that have marked rica and America, would suppose that a black party, no matter what the majority, could him in. Fortunately, so far, the members of the land the party him in the history of the South since reconstruction, there have been few in which either party stand out for any length of time against a the "rifle clubs" have quietly submitted to arwhite party. Nature has ordained otherwise, rest. In fact, the whole plan of the Demo- and hot temper of the whites have often been and when a joint resolution of Congress is set up against a law of nature, we find to our on their side; and this is so certain and evident that the call of Chamberlain for troops have been honest doubts as to the responsilution (so to speak) are too weak for equal combat. In other words, nature has the adstruction and violence. We trust that the cording to present full advices from partisan Democrats will be on their guard and give and non-partisan sources, there can be none not the least occasion by their own conduct whatever. Neither charity nor mendacity can

Details serve only to blacken the case of and fair play, and they may depend on his as Democratic organs may claim, that all the word. thirsty wretches, who should be exterminated.